

Helping the farmer to help himself is the newest agricultural creed.

Rainy days bring out the man who carries his umbrella as though it were a spear.

This season's precipitation should be conducive to successful alligator farming.

A Norwegian claims that he has invented a boat that even a boat rocker cannot sink.

Automobiles possessed of a wild desire to reduce the population should be suppressed.

The reports of automobile accidents are quite numerous for a season which has just opened.

The Paris fashions call for corsets for men, but men refuse to be reshaped in this way.

A Boston doctor enumerates a dozen causes of spring fever. But he fails to mention carpet-beating.

A frog leg famine is predicted, but there are a number of citizens who are not in the least disturbed.

Of course there is much to be said in favor of the recall of unpires under certain mournful circumstances.

About this time of year look out for reports that your favorite ball team is composed exclusively of cripples.

Eggs are only five cents a dozen in China. No wonder that acting there is regarded as a degrading occupation.

Still, the cologne of a half-cent coin would give the typewriter girls the opportunity to use their "½" key often.

New York's death rate has been halved since 1866. The people who live there are becoming more hardened.

The invention of a sock that will not wear out is another crushing blow at the good old institution of marriage.

The fashions for women this year are but a repetition of those of 1835. Clothes as well as history repeat themselves.

A poetess asks: "Oh, where does beauty linger?" Answers from dealers in hair goods and cosmetics should be barred.

Many a young man has a bad half-hour in the forenoon explaining where he was between 2:30 and 5 the afternoon before.

Knitting is used as a cure for bad nerves by overwrought women of Germany. It seems like a terribly utilitarian form of therapy.

Boston is to have a hospital for victims of the "blues." Would it not be cheaper to buy them tickets so they could get out of Boston?

In Kansas City the other day the wife of a painless dentist horsewhipped his office girl. The scene is reported to have been painful.

Telephone girls complain that the headgear they are compelled to wear produces corns on their ears. Still, corn on the ear isn't so bad.

There are reported to be fewer lawyers in New York than formerly. Is Manhattan making this announcement in order to induce immigration?

A Denver woman keeps her savings in an icebox, presumably in the hope that some day she'll have a cool million.

The edict has gone forth that women's dresses this year are to have countless buttons. This is where the matrimony rate will take a big slump.

It takes a true scientist to wait, when he sees a mosquito biting him, to discover before swatting whether his enemy is a germ carrier or not.

California traveling men are to boycott places where tipping is not prohibited. They will have plenty of places to avoid in this mercenary day.

Boston is to establish a hospital for the cure of the "blues." This shows what uninterrupted devotion to Robert Browning will bring a community to.

An expert advises simplicity in cultivating a garden. After all, the simplest words are best for relieving the mind when the lettuce turns out to be weeds.

The Germans now say bathing multiplies bacteria. It, however, reduces smells, and the one offsets the other.

A New York lawyer says that in America the crook runs less risk than the honest workman. The crook usually gets full value for legal services.

The average man is not alarmed by the statement that there are a million and a half microbes on a dollar bill. He doesn't keep it long enough to incur danger.

After wireless telegraph operators have been placed under government regulation perhaps there will be room for hope that something may be done about palace car conductors and head waiters.

"He (the pedestrian) has a right to presume that persons in charge of cars and other vehicles will use ordinary care to avoid injuring him and govern his conduct accordingly."—Recent Court Decision. He may have the right. But what will that right avail him in the next world?

## FIX ASSESSMENTS FOR CANDIDATES

THE SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN WILL BE HELD IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

ITINERARY WAS PREPARED

The State Democratic Committee Met in Columbia Several Days Ago—Many Other Matters Were Considered at Meeting—Much Interest Shown

Columbia.—The State Democratic executive committee meeting here in the library at the state house fixed the assessments for the candidates entering the state campaign, and decided upon a separate itinerary for the candidates for the United States senate, congress and solicitor. The itinerary for the state officers was mapped out at a meeting of a subcommittee, held here several days ago. The constitutional provision of the party that a separate campaign be held where there is more than one candidate in the race for the United States senate was cited by F. H. Dominick, member of the executive committee from Newberry county. After some discussion a resolution providing for the senatorial campaign was adopted by the committee and the subcommittee was authorized to prepare the itinerary.

The following assessments for all candidates in the campaign were fixed by the committee:

United States senate \$250, congress \$200, governor \$100; railroad commission \$75, state officers \$50, solicitors \$50.

It is estimated that over \$4,100 will be required for the campaign and about \$4,600 will be raised. The first campaign meeting will be held at Sumter in a few days. John Gary Evans, the state chairman, announced the appointment of Christie Bennett of Columbia as secretary of the executive committee.

The senatorial campaign will open in Columbia on Tuesday, June 25, and will close in Aiken on August 23. The separate campaign was made necessary because two candidates have already filed their pledges for the United States senate. They are Jasper W. Talbot of Parkville, in Edgefield county, and N. B. Dial of Laurens.

Good Progress For Educational Fund.

At the headquarters of the endowment fund campaign at Chester a statement was given out showing how much money had been subscribed during the first three days' canvass in Bethel Presbytery to go towards its \$55,000 of the \$200,000 the Presbyterian church is trying to raise in the Synod of South Carolina for the cause of education. There are 58 churches in the presbytery and only 28 have been heard from. So far the amount subscribed is \$22,128.

Will Follow The Greer Route.

The directors of the Greenville, Anderson & Spartanburg Railway Co., the electric line projected by J. B. Duke, decided to follow the Greer route, which parallels the Southern Railway in building between Spartanburg and Greenville. There was intense competition between the people of Greer and the people of Reidsville to obtain the line and both offered rights of way and other inducements. Reidsville is 6 miles from the nearest railway. The Greer route was chosen because it is 3 miles shorter, and offers more business.

Hookworm Experts in Calhoun.

The hookworm experts will invade Calhoun county in the near future and all the preliminaries have been completed. The battle will be to the finish and no quarter will be asked. Dr. La Bruce Ward, originally of Georgetown and now with the state board of health, lectured upon the hookworm in Fraternity Hall at St. Matthews. Dispensaries will be established at St. Matthews, Cameron, Fort Motte, Sandy Run and Centre Hill.

Pellagra-Phobia Is A Disease.

Pellagra-phobia, or fear of pellagra, is a clearly defined disease which has been discovered by the Thompson-McFadden pellagra commission, sent to Spartanburg recently for research work. In an address to the South Carolina Press Association, Dr. Joseph F. Siler, a member of the commission, requests newspapers not to publish sensational stories about pellagra, the fatality of which, he said, had been exaggerated. He declared the insanity supposed to result from pellagra was due to pellagra-phobia.

Voted In Commission Government.

Sumter started things. It voted in the commission form of government, and then opened up the city league season, the Dodgers beating the Pirates, 6 to 3. The vote on the commission form was 252 for to 72 against. On the question of manager or no manager it was 201 for a city manager and 121 against the manager system. Under the plan adopted there will be elected a mayor at a salary of \$300 and two aldermen at \$200 each. These will elect the manager at such salary as they see fit.

Coroner's Verdict in Jackson Case.

The coroner's jury in the inquest concerning the death of little Andrew Jackson, which had some time ago taken a recess subject to the call of the acting coroner, met again and took the evidence of the negroes who are in jail awaiting action of the solicitor. The hearing was a secret and the solicitor who now has the papers will not give them for publication until the case comes to trial. The verdict of the jury is that the little boy came to his death at the hands of Harry McIntosh and John Williams.

## THE DEGREES ARE CONFERRED

At the University — Commencement Exercises Bring the Session to Close—Wilcox the Speaker.

Columbia.—The 1912 session at the University of South Carolina came to a close with commencement exercises in the chapel, at which degrees were conferred upon the various candidates. Fifty-five young men and women were rewarded for their work by diplomas.

The honorary degree of doctor of letters was conferred by the University of South Carolina upon the following distinguished men: Col. O. J. Bond of the Citadel, Chas. Heyward Barnwell, dean of the University of Alabama, and Gaillard Hunt of Washington, D. C.

The annual address before the graduates was delivered by P. A. Wilcox of Florence, graduate of the class of 1887, and an enthusiastic alumnus. Mr. Wilcox, a brilliant member of the South Carolina bar, made an impressive address, dealing with the relation of the university to the state.

Mr. Wilcox stressed the importance of university education. He told of the university's responsibility and duties to the state. Its place in the life of the commonwealth and the great influence it had upon the citizenship. He added that compulsory education must be initiated.

"The weakness of the average man" said Mr. Wilcox, "is his failure to know himself, to recognize his capacity, to find his proper place—great or small—in the general aggregate of human performance." He said that the true aim of the university ideal applied to the state is for the South Carolinian to find himself.

Mr. Wilcox dwelt at length on the function of the university and gave a plan which he considered a good university education. It was an excellent address overflowing with genuine thoughts of great import.

South Carolina New Enterprises.

The secretary of state has issued a commission to the Grand theatre of Spartanburg, with a capital stock of \$15,000. The petitioners are C. C. Wyche and L. T. Lester, both of Spartanburg. A charter has been issued to the Filbin corporation of Charleston, with a capital stock of \$100,000. The officers are: R. G. Rhett, president; Henry Bpist, secretary and treasurer. A general timber and lumber business will be conducted. A general timber and lumber business will be conducted. A commission has been issued to the Wolf Creek Mining company of Gaffney, with a capital stock of \$5,000. The petitioners are: J. A. Carroll, B. L. Hames, G. G. Byers and S. S. Ross. A general mining business will be conducted. A commission has been issued to the Anderson Gas company of Anderson, with a capital stock of \$100,000.

Earth Shock in South Carolina.

Matutinal South Carolinians were startled by a trembling so noticeable that it even woke up numerous of the more sleepy who were still wrapped in slumber when the disturbance came. So far no damage has been reported. The earthquake, consisted of two shocks, one succeeding the other after a short interval. Besides nearly all sections of South Carolina, south and eastern Georgia seems to have felt the shock. In many places the shocks were severe enough to shake buildings and cause windows to rattle. In several of the towns which felt the quake slight rumbling noises accompanied the tremors. This is said to be the first earthquake which has visited South Carolina since 1907.

Man Was Fired Upon and Killed.

Hampton Oliver, while returning to his home after a trip to McBee, was fired upon and killed. Mr. Oliver had been to town for a load of fertilizer and started to return to his home late in the evening. When some distance from his home he was forced to pass through a thick patch of woods. Here he was fired upon and killed. Tracks and other evidences show where the murderer or murderers stood, but there is no clue as to the identity of the assassins. A coroner's jury was empaneled but has not been able to fix the responsibility for the deed.

Woman's Missionary Institute.

The First and Second Baptist churches of Chester are busily getting ready for the Woman's Missionary Institute, which is to be held in this city at the First Baptist church June 18 and 19. From 100 to 150 delegates and visitors are expected from the following counties: York, Chester, Fairfield, Union, Spartanburg, Greenville, Cherokee and Anderson. Judging from the many requests for homes from the different churches in the foregoing counties the attendance will be very big.

Only Three Candidates File Pledges.

With the time for closing the entries only a few days distant only three candidates for the Legislature from Charleston county have as yet filed their pledges and assessments with the treasurer of the county Democratic executive committee. The three are H. G. Leland, of McClellanville; Moultrie J. Clement and Patrick Galvin. The last named candidate is a new entrant in the race, having filed his pledge recently. He was at one time an Alderman of Charleston and is at present a draymaster.

Young Farmer Seriously Wounded.

Mike Robinson, a young white farmer of the Fork section of Orangeburg county, was found lying in a public road, his life ebbing away, as the result of serious wounds inflicted about his head. Lying in a pool of his blood, Robinson was found by a negro. The negro's attention was drawn by the faint cries of the wounded man. Arthur Robinson, a young brother, now stands charged with fratricide, as his brother has since died. Arthur Robinson was found at a white man's home nearby.

## STANDARD IS URGED

THE PRESS ASSOCIATION IN DOUGLAS CAP. GONZALEZ'S SUGGESTION.

NEXT MEETING BESIDE SEA

The Isle of Palms Will Be the Scene of the 1913 Gathering—The Present Officers Were All Re-elected For Another Term.

Spartanburg.—"Journalistic Ethics," by William E. Gonzales, was the feature of the South Carolina Press association. The executive committee was instructed to take up the matters suggested and report at the next session.

"The press will not come into its own, it will not be close to the hearts of the people or impress them with its high mission until the press sets high value upon itself and self-respect is dominant in the profession. The official recognition and the maintenance of an ethical standard would help to fortify the press for he full performance of the great part assigned it in human life, and for which its liberty is guaranteed," said Mr. Gonzales. Mr. Gonzales' advocacy of the setting of a standard of ethics by the press, of its assertion of its rights and the placing of the press association on the same standard of the medical association, the bar association and like organizations, met with the unqualified and hearty indorsement of the members, and the executive committee is charged with the duty of working out the details of the plan for the next annual meeting of the session and foreshadows a new standard for the press.

The business session of the press association was held in the old chamber of commerce rooms, with President H. L. Watson in the chair. The president announced as a committee on the death of J. H. Buchanan of Chester, W. J. Irwin, W. D. Grist and William Banks.

The Isle of Palms at Charleston was selected by acclamation as the place of meeting in 1913 over five competitors. Orangeburg, Glenn Springs, Florence, Rock Hill and Anderson all wanted the meeting for next year. Alex Long, representing Rock Hill, asked for the 1914 meeting if the 1913 meeting went to Charleston.

County Politics Are Warming Up.

Aiken.—The campaign for county offices is beginning to warm up in Aiken. The first meeting will be held June 22 at Aiken, and from that day until the primary election, August 27, meetings will be held all over the county. The office of coroner has attracted the largest number of candidates. There are six aspirants for this place, now held by Bennie L. Johnson, who stands for re-election, opposed by W. H. Spire, J. H. Eargle, A. G. T. Spradley, T. W. Walker and M. B. Smith. For sheriff there are three candidates.

A Disastrous Fire At Columbia.

Columbia.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the large seed house of the Southern Cotton Oil company near the corner of Gadsden and Green streets, causing a loss estimated at from \$40,000 to \$50,000. The entire plant of the company, which is the largest east of the Mississippi river, was threatened for a time. The building destroyed was 400 by 400 feet and contained some machinery and some products of the company. There were several hundred tons of cotton seed in the building.

Discuss Question of Bond Issue.

Columbia.—The election on the question of issuing \$1,000 in bonds for improving State Park to relieve the congested conditions at the State Hospital for the Insane was discussed at a conference between the members of the asylum commission and board of regents. The act providing for the election was passed at the last session of the general assembly. The commission and the board discussed the best means of presenting the issue to the people of the state.

Superintendent Moore Re-elected.

Chester.—At a special meeting of the board of trustees of the Edgemoor high school in Chester county, Prof. Joe P. Moore was re-elected superintendent for the coming year, which starts in September. It was likewise decided to enlarge the school facilities for handling the increasing number of students. Prof. Moore has two assistants, and in all likelihood that number will also be increased, at least by one and probably two. The school has just completed the most auspicious year in its history.

Applicant National Bank Examiner.

Washington.—Samuel B. Jones of Spartanburg, who has been connected with the First National bank of that city for many years, is an applicant for a national bank examiner to succeed Giles F. Wilson, who recently resigned. Mr. Jones came to Washington and stood the examination for the position which he desires. He has secured the endorsement of the South Carolina senators and representatives, and before leaving for home he said he was confident of being successful.

Walhalla Political Announcements.

Walhalla.—The announcement of the withdrawal of Frank M. Cary from the race for the state senate has been marked with considerable activity by the friends of numerous prospective candidates. It is rumored that the following and perhaps others may enter the field: E. E. Verner, Richland; J. B. Harris, Westminster; E. L. Herndon, Walhalla; Col. J. W. Sholer, Walhalla; C. R. D. Burns, West Union; A. Zimmerman, Westminster, and J. P. Stribling, Richland.

## FROM THE PALMETTO STATE

The Latest News of General Interest Collected From Many Towns and Counties of the State.

Ridge Spring.—The first carload of peaches left here, shipped by R. M. and R. F. Watson. They expect to send two more cars in the near future.

Orangeburg.—A negro was found dead beside the right of way of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad company, east of the city of Orangeburg. It is supposed that the negro was struck by a train.

Winnsboro.—Sheriff Hood carried to the state penitentiary Cora Kennedy, a negro woman who was the only prisoner to be tried at the June term of court. She was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon and was sentenced to serve a term of one year for the offense.

Columbia.—The governor has granted a pardon to John Burke, who was convicted in Richland county in 1891 and sentenced to two years on the charge of housebreaking and larceny. The pardon was granted to restore citizenship. Since assuming office the governor has extended clemency in 373 cases.

Gaffney.—Dirt was broken for Gaffney's \$50,000 Federal building and a large force is busily engaged in excavating for same. J. S. Calhoun, representing the contracting construction company, is in the city supervising the work, while Inspector Sneece is here supervising the right for the government.

Washington.—Two South Carolinians—James M. Baker and Sen. Tillman's secretary, Mr. Wyche—will have important duties to perform at the Baltimore convention. Both have been appointed by Senator Tillman as special sergeants-at-arms to help keep the big meeting in order. Each national committeeman has two such appointments.

Lancaster.—B. Will Johnson of Lancaster has been appointed postmaster at Stonega, Va., and will leave for his new field. This is a distinct compliment to one so young and is a source of gratification to his many friends in this place. For several months Mr. Johnson served as clerk in the post office here, but has of late held a position with the Bank of Lancaster.

Chester.—The board of directors of the Chester Civic Improvement association held a special meeting in the reading room of the Patterson Public library to consider reports, etc., from the chairman of the different committees. At the meeting it was decided to create a new department of public buildings, with Mrs. J. S. Moffat as chairman.

Anderson.—Robert E. Ligon and William Banks, who have in charge the making of arrangements for the Farmer's Institute to be held in Anderson July 4, 5, and 6, have visited Clemson college, and have secured the promise of President Riggs to be present, along with several of the Clemson professors, to take part in the institute. Clemson is going to furnish a number of speakers.

Lamar.—A large number of delegates attended the joint meeting of the Woman's Home Missions societies and Epworth League of the Florence district held in Lamar. The homes of the people of the town were thrown open to the visitors. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. W. L. Wait. The addresses of welcome were by Mrs. S. L. Parnell and Rev. B. M. Robertson. Mrs. Wait made the response.

Columbia.—The supreme court in a decision by Chief Justice Gary affirmed a verdict of \$15,000 secured in the York county court by Lida E. Drennan against the Carolina division of the Southern railway for injuries received by Leonard B. Drennan. The action was brought to recover \$25,000 damages, actual and punitive, for personal injuries alleged to have been received by Drennan at Wilson street crossing in the city of Rock Hill.

Greenville.—J. B. Palmer and Chas. B. Palmer have been removed from Greenville county jail to the Atlanta federal prison, and Lou Belcher was carried to the State penitentiary at Columbia, all being convicted of the murder of United States Marshal Corbin in Oconee county about a year ago. Robert Belcher, a son of Lou Belcher, is now in the penitentiary, having been previously convicted.

Saluda.—At a meeting of the directors of Saluda county Farmers' Warehouse company the following officers were elected: M. T. Pitts, president; B. W. Crouch, vice president; H. G. Crouch, secretary-treasurer and temporary general manager.

Sumter.—Council met in regular session several days ago. J. M. Chandler, S. W. Rumph, J. Z. Heaton and C. C. Beck appeared on appeal from recent sentence of recorder's court on their janitors. Janitors had been arrested for putting trash unboxed in back lots, and minimum fines of \$3 was imposed.

Chester.—Willie Hughes, a negro laborer on the farm of Mrs. W. H. Simpson, was shot to death by another negro, Joe Miller, who is employed on the plantation of Mr. Gregory on the Stringfellow place. The negro who did the shooting escaped.

Florence.—The rear of the Gordon boarding-house, on Front street, a large frame dwelling, was discovered to be on fire, and for some reason the fire alarm refused to ring, and it required some time to get the department out, but it did good work and saved the house from any except slight damage.

Newberry.—Unusually large crowds are in attendance at the commencement exercises of the Newberry college. Many alumni from a number of states are here for the occasion and will take part in the mammoth parade.

Orangeburg.—Mr. A. D. Powers, an old and highly respected citizen of this city, died at his residence, on Amelia street. Mr. Powers was about 70 years of age. He was a crippled Confederate veteran and had served faithfully in the employ of the city for a number of years. The deceased is survived by his wife and several children and grandchildren.

## TRIUMPHAL ENTRY PROPOSED FOR T. R.

HIS GOING TO CHICAGO IS LIKENED TO A "RED RAG IN THE BULL'S FACE."

MUCH LESS TALK OF PEACE

There Was Much Consternation Among the Taft Forces When the Colonel's Action Is Announced—Mr. McKinley Makes Statement on Taft's Standing

Chicago.—Roosevelt's actual start from New York to inject his own personality into the situation surrounding the battle for delegates to the Republican national convention was practiced this fact became known. The probable effect of his arrival and presence here upon his own candidacy was the subject of forecast and comment as various as the identity of the speaker.

To the Taft leaders the announcement of Colonel Roosevelt's coming was in the nature of a "red rag to a bull." Director McKinley of the Taft campaign management issued a statement soon after Mr. Roosevelt's starting became known, in which he declared unequivocally that the certain Taft strength was 594 delegates—54 more than enough for a nomination. He and all the other Taft leaders declared Roosevelt's coming was the surest indication of desperation. He asserted that a conference of the Roosevelt people their most optimistic figuring showed a Roosevelt total of 78 votes short of the necessary 540.

Mr. McKinley declared that the Roosevelt managers here had sent for their chief as a last hope when they were convinced of impending defeat. More significant however, was the table of delegates figures which accompanied Mr. McKinley's statement—the 594 delegates which he listed in the Taft column included all of the contested delegations, 64 in number, from Texas, Virginia and Washington, upon whose cases the national committee has still to pass.

About the same time rumors were current everywhere that the Taft majority on the committee had decided definitely to give Taft every remaining vote within their power. Refuses Offer of Any Hope to Judges. Washington.—To further protect the acts of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Senate amended the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill to provide that no single Federal judge may enjoin or restrain the commission's orders. The amendment, offered by Senator Cummins, provides that injunctions and restraints must be applied upon by a majority of three judges who shall be the chief justice of the United States and two other justices.

Encouraging Reports Received.

Havana.—News received at the capital from the scene of operations at Oriente province, although meager and somewhat confused, is regarded by the government as encouraging and indicating the success of the policy of General Montague, commander-in-chief of the Cuban forces, in resorting to guerrilla tactics. Colonel Valiente's column after an engagement at Jarama, about twenty-five miles north of Santiago, on June 12, in which the forces of General Estenez are reported to have been defeated had another brush with a small party of rebels.

Colonel's Train Strikes Boulder.

Albany, N. Y.—A large boulder in the path of the train which is bearing Col. Theodore Roosevelt to Chicago, brought his journey to an abrupt halt less than an hour after it began. The train was traveling at a high rate of speed when two miles north of Tarrytown, it came to a sudden stop with a series of jolts and the crunching of brakes. The accident fortunately was not a serious one, but it delayed the train's arrival an hour at Albany.

Suspect Held As Wesley Edwards.

Lexington, Ky.—The arrival of an officer from Hillsville, Va., who knows Wesley Edwards, is depended upon by the police of Clay City, Ky., for the identification of the man whom they arrested on suspicion of being one of the Hillsville courthouse assassins. A man who was with the suspect escaped and is believed to be headed for Lexington. The prisoner says his name is Hatfield, that he came from West Virginia and had been working on a railroad in the mountains of Kentucky for several months.

What The Republicans Are Doing.

Chicago.—Delegates to the Republican national convention in anticipation of the coming to Chicago of Col. Roosevelt and a history making episode in American politics went back to the first new nation of Abraham Lincoln in efforts to find a parallel for the fight being waged here. Roosevelt men, kept at a high pitch by conferences in which their leaders attacked the actions of the national committee with bitterness, pointed to the death of the old Whig party as their theory of what may happen.

Warring on High Cost of Living.

New York.—The crusade being waged by militant housewives against Kosher shops in the campaign to lower the price of meat has spread from Brooklyn to the east side, Harlem and the Bronx. Several butchers in Harlem and the Bronx were forced to close their shops to protect them from the mobs of women that roamed the streets. In the Brownsville section of Brooklyn more than 100 Kosher shops were closed. Indignant housewives patrolled the streets.

Hookworm in Chester County.

Chester.—Dr. LaBruce Ward, of Columbia, has been investigating the hookworm situation in Chester county. He is director of rural sanitation under the state board of health. He appeared before the county board and requested an appropriation to be expended in defraying part of the expense encountered in the campaign against the hookworm in Chester county. The board very willingly and promptly agreed to pay the amount needed, which Dr. Ward thought would not exceed \$50.

## SIEGLER IS GUILTY

WEALTHY AIKEN COUNTY MAN IS CONVICTED BY JURY OF MANSLAUGHTER.

MADE MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL

Counsel For Convicted Man Will Argue For Another Chance—There Has Been Much Interest In This Case From All Sections of State.

Aiken.—Five hours and 28 minutes after the jury had retired after hearing the last of the arguments in the trial of James G. Siegler, charged with the murder of Policeman Wade Patterson, and the charge of Judge Rice, a verdict of manslaughter was returned.

The jurors filed out of the box and into the jury room at nine minutes past 12. At 5:37 12 sober-faced men came out of the room and filed back into the box. Something of the strain of the struggle which had taken place behind the locked doors showed in their faces when they were asked: "Gentlemen, have you agreed upon a verdict?" The foreman answered: "We have."

Siegler, who was sitting with his attorneys, anxiously scanned their faces. He watched intently, his eyes riveted upon the men in the box, as the sheriff was handed the indictment and he in turn, handed it to the clerk, who read the verdict: "We, the jury find the defendant guilty of manslaughter."

Instantly every one was turned upon the convicted man. Disappointment was plain in his face, but even in that moment he was in perfect control of himself. That Siegler had confidently expected acquittal or at least a mistrial, since the jury had not reached a verdict earlier had become pretty generally known.

Before the verdict was read Judge Rice cautioned the spectators in the court room, some of whom had sat there awaiting the verdict all the time the jury had been in their room, that not matter what might be the decision of the 12 men, there must be no demonstration. While these preliminaries were going on Siegler sat beating a tattoo on the table in front of him. Siegler's attorneys gave immediate notice of a motion for a new trial, which will be heard in the near future. If this is denied Judge Rice will pass sentence upon the convicted man.

Politics in Charleston County. Charleston.—With the time of closing of entries of candidates in the Democratic primary less than a week off, an interesting showing is made of the character of the contest, which the ballots of the Charleston Democracy will determine on August 27. In the majority of the offices there is no contest, but there will be some spirited running for other offices as the list of entries shows. Of the main offices, there are so far recorded only the contests for the clerk of court and coroner, Sheriff Martin's opponent, A. W. Perry not having filed his pledge.

Executive Clemency For One.

Columbia.—The governor has paroled James McRae, convicted at the October, 1911, term of court for Marlboro county of involuntary manslaughter and sentenced to two years' imprisonment. The parole is conditioned on good behavior. Since assuming office the governor has exercised clemency in 372 cases, as follows: Paroles 222, pardons and commutations 150.

Medical Association Meets.

Chester.—The regular monthly meeting of the Chester County Medical Association was the most noteworthy one held this year. Dr. LaBruce Ward of Columbia, director of rural sanitation, under the state board of health, was present and made an impressive speech upon the hookworm, especially as to the prevalence of the malady and methods of diagnosis. Dr. J. G. Johnston, read a paper on cornea injuries. Discussions of cornea injuries by Dr. W. B. Cox and Dr. S. G. Miller followed.

Boys' Corn Club of Orangeburg.

Orangeburg.—A large and enthusiastic meeting of the boys' corn contest club and the girls' tomato contest club was held here at the court house. The meeting was presided over by Lucius W. Livingston, superintendent of education of Orangeburg county. Addresses were made by Prof. C. R. Haddon of Clemson College and Mrs. Marie Cromer Siegler of Aiken. Prof. Haddon, who is the state agent for the boys' demonstration work in this state, talked to the boys and received reports from every boy present.